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HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON FAMILIES, CHILDREN, AND SENIORS

Wednesday, April 29th, 2015 9:00 a.m. Room 327 House Office Building

Representative Hooker, Chair, called the meeting to order.

Chair Hooker requested attendance be called to establish a quorum of the appointed committee members:

Present: Reps. Hooker, Runestad, Forlini, Crawford, Vaupel, Hovey-Wright, Talabi, and Liberati,

Absent: None,

Excused: None.

The chair laid HB 4457 before the committee:

HB 4457 (Runestad) Children; adoption; adoption registry fee; eliminate.

Representative Runestad introduced his bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Catherine Hoover, representing the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, testified on the bill.

Representative Liberati moved to approve the minutes from the April 22nd, 2015 meeting.

There being no objection, the motion was approved by unanimous consent.

The chair laid HR 9 before the committee:

HR 9 (Kesto) A resolution to urge the President of the United States to allow an additional 25,000 refugee visas for displaced Iraqis, with preference for placement in Michigan.

Representative Kesto introduced his resolution. Questions and discussion followed.

The following person submitted a testimony card in support of the resolution but did not wish to speak:

Ron Khoury, Chaldean Chamber of Commerce

Representative Forlini moved to report HR 9 with recommendation. The motion prevailed 8-0-0

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Reps. Hooker, Runestad, Forlini, Crawford, Vaupel, Hovey-Wright, Talabi, and Liberati,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

The committee returned to consideration of HB 4457.

Representative Vaupel moved to report HB 4457 with recommendation. The motion prevailed by a vote of 8-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Reps. Hooker, Runestad, Forlini, Crawford, Vaupel, Hovey-Wright, Talabi, and Liberati,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

The chair invited Jane Zehnder-Merrell to speak to the committee regarding Kids Count, Michigan League for Public Policy. Questions and discussion followed.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting the time being 10:13 a.m.

Representative Hooker, Chair

Matthew Carnegie
Committee Clerk

April 29th, 2015

73 minutes

Date Approved and Signed